

## **REMARKS**

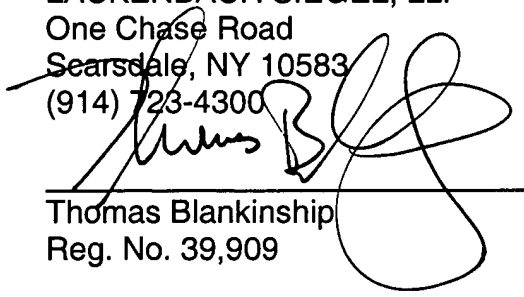
The previous SEQ. ID. NO. 15 was identical to SEQ. ID. NO. 2, and the previous SEQ. ID. NO. 14 was identical to SEQ. ID. NO. 3. To prevent any confusion, the previous SEQ. ID. NOs. 14 and 15 are currently identified in the specification as SEQ. ID. NOs. 3 and 2, respectively, and the previous SEQ. ID. NOs. 14 and 15 have been deleted from the sequence listing. In addition, the previous SEQ. ID. NOs. 16 to 31 have been renumbered as current SEQ. ID. NOs. 14 to 29. These changes necessitated the amended specification and sequence listing.

Current SEQ. ID. NO. 15 (a.k.a., previous the previous SEQ. ID. NO. 17) was previously disclosed in the specification in its 3' to 5' orientation. However, SEQ. ID. NO. 15 is, of course, disclosed in the sequence listing in its 5' to 3' orientation. To prevent any confusion, SEQ. ID. NO. 15 in the specification is currently disclosed in its 5' to 3' orientation.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and look forward to an early Notice of Allowance.

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